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Newberry South Carolina

FARMERS COLUMN

BY T. M. MILLS

Look out for the Greater Community Fair to be held at Newberry, November 10th and 11th. The committee on arrangements has secured the American Legion hall, which will be used as the main building for exhibits. In this building, under the direct supervision of County Agent T. M. Mills, will be displayed samples of the boys corn club work, consisting of ten ears and a single ear by each club boy. Also in the same department will be the men's corn exhibit which will be on in any farmer in the county.

Under the supervision of the home demonstration agent, Miss Daisy Berke, will be displayed produce of the girls' clubs and ladies' clubs, consisting of canned goods, jellies, preserves, cooking, sewing and various articles of fancy work, etc.

And under the joint supervision of the county agents will be displayed several individual farm exhibits, showing what can be done on a diversified farm.

The county health unit will have a booth showing the nature of work done by them. This will be under the supervision of Dr. Knotts and Miss Lightsey. I consider this a very important booth and should be studied by all.

We are also planning to have a poultry show in connection with the fair, the building to be secured and announced later.

Liberal prizes will be offered for all club work and some of the farm crop exhibits and poultry exhibits. These premiums will be announced later.

I hope we will have the cooperation of all the farmers and business men in making this fair a success. If you have anything worth showing, bring it. Don't come and look at what the other fellow has brought and say that you have better produce at home. Be a good sport. Bring your stuff and put it on exhibit.

I wish to say that we are having fine cooperation of the different organizations of the town and county in working up this fair for which we are truly thankful. The prizes will be published later.

Harvesting, Handling and Grading Sweet Potatoes

Harvest sweet potatoes when mature but before a killing frost. You can test the maturity by breaking a potato. If mature the broken surface will heal over white when exposed to the air and sunshine. If not mature, the surface will turn a green or black spotted color.

If a killing frost should occur before the potatoes are harvested, cut the vines from the potato at once to prevent the frost from entering the tubers.

Every precaution should be used to prevent potatoes from becoming bruised or cut. A large turn plow or middle buster is the best plow most of us have for the purpose. Pick up the potatoes and lay them down. Don't throw them about from place to place. Probably more potatoes are lost by growers from careless handling than from all other causes.

Grading
If intended for the market all potatoes should be carefully graded in the field, and if intended for home use, all cut or bruised potatoes should be taken out for immediate use.

Official Commercial Grades
Grade No. 1—Diameter 1 3/4 inches; length 4 inches to 10 inches. Note: The length may be less than 4 inches if the diameter is 2 1/4.

Grade No. 2—Diameter 1 1/2 inches to 3 1/2 inches; any length.

All grades should consist of sound sweet potatoes of similar variety, characteristics which are practically free from dirt, decay, cuts, scars, cracks, or damage of any kind.

It is recommended that only No. 1 potatoes be placed in the storage houses for commercial purposes, but No. 2's may be placed in if the grower so desires.

Poultry Feed

Mr. J. A. Foy of the Utopia section is growing and mixing his own poultry feed. Wheat, corn, kafir corn, shalla, mile and sunflower seed has been grown as the foundation of the mixture and Mr. Foy, with the help of the county agent, intends to put up a mixture that is as good as any of the commercial feeds on the market. This is a step in the right direction. Why pay freight and a profit to the other fellow for what you can grow just as well at home.

Problem in Dairy Mathematics:
If a parurebred sire is worth \$1500 in three years in the increased production of daughters, what is your scrub bull worth? (Swat the scrub.)

He who furnishes a good winter hotel for the boll weevil may expect to board him also during the spring

and summer. Mould blow down your cotton stalks at once and clean up your tomatoes and radishes, etc.

It costs as much to fight boll weevil on poor land as on good land. Build up your land by the use of winter legumes and soy as cover crops. No man can farm poor land at a profit.

Finish sowing that alfalfa plot this week if possible so that it may have time to become firmly rooted before the winter frosts appear.

T. M. MILLS,
County Agent.

STILL GROW RICE

ABOVE FALL LINE

Upland Type Cultivated in Newberry County Yields Excellent Quality

The State.

Rice growing above Columbia persists here and there to an extent not generally known. Time was when many Piedmont farmers grew all the rice they needed for the home table and for their laborers. A center of upland rice cultivation was Pendleton, perhaps because in and about that village resided in summer many rice planters of the low country; and the world's record yield of rice to the acre is probably still held, some maintain, by Anderson county. Newberry county, upper Lexington and parts of upper Richland are now the principal seats of rice culture north of the fall line.

Nothing in the Newberry Observer recently a paragraph recording that some 200 pounds of home grown rice had been stored for the winter by J. William Folk, M. D.—physician, planter and former legislator—residing near Jalapa. The State requested of Dr. Folk some particulars of his experience with the crop. Dr. Folk not only wrote in a reply a characteristic drid account of his rice growing, but also sent generous samples of his rice, both in the ear and milled. His rice is of excellent quality and more flavorful than the polished rice of commerce.

Dr. Folk, born at Pomaria, attended Wofford college, received his professional training at Charleston Medical college and was for 25 years acting assistant surgeon in the United States marine hospital service, with station at Georgetown, where he became familiar with rice planting processes. He moved back to Newberry county in 1908 and in 1919-20 was a member of the house of representatives. At 70 he is enthusiastic as ever and is a tireless experimenter with promising plants and farm methods.

Dr. Folk on Rice Growing
Dr. Folk writes The State in part as follows:

"Born in Newberry county, I spent 25 years in Georgetown, amidst the rice cultivation on North Santee, where the Lowndes, Manigault, Hazard, Doar, Reed, Johnstone, Alston and Lucas families, with many others grew rice for market and home consumption. Healthier men, women and children never lived than these, who had rice for dinner daily.

"I learned there that rice could be grown to better advantage, at less expense and with greater profit in upper South Carolina than in Georgetown, because in the upcountry certain expenses, aggregating \$20 to \$30 the acre which were inseparable from the low-country cultivation, would not be incurred. These expenses included maintenance of banks, ditches and flood gates and the minding of the rice at certain seasons against blackbirds by day and ducks by night. No such protection is required here in Newberry or anywhere in upper Carolina and the rice flourishes even in Greenville or Oconee.

"There are both upland and water flooded varieties. Upland rice, in my opinion, can be grown profitably on every farm where there is constant moisture; near a branch, creek or river, suitable plots can be found which are too wet for corn, boggy underfoot, where rushes grow, with briars and willows. Thoroughly plow or dig with the hoe and pulverize without a sod. Lay off, March 10 to April 10, rows 18 inches wide and one-fourth inch deep. Plant ten grains to the hill, a hoe's width apart, cover lightly and when the rice is four inches high cultivate like corn or cotton. About September 15 is the time to harvest. Cut the rice with a sickle, lay it on the stubble for three days, tied in bundles then in shocks as with wheat or oats, and after two weeks thresh in any machine that will clean wheat or oats. If the quantity is less than 50 bushels, the rice may conveniently be thrashed clean over a barrel or an inch plank nailed between two posts. The average yield to the

acre is 40 to 65 bushels, which when milled gives 35 to 45 pounds to the bushel. I harvested my crop at a yield of 40 bushels to the acre, without any fertilizer or nitrate of soda, otherwise the yield would have been greater.

"J. W. Bandy at Ballentine has an up-to-date rice mill and a more competent miller I have never seen. A rice gelling machine can be obtained from a Columbia firm for \$100.

Other Rice Growers

"In this county Felix Graham, Bandy Ewing and myself grow rice, possibly others. In and around Irmo, Jesse Folk and many others grow rice.

"Rice is one of the best foods for man, beast and poultry. Horses and mules will leave corn fodder for rice straw. Hens fed on rough rice will lay more eggs in November, December and January than on any other food I have seen given them, while as for turkeys fed on rough rice, they were so fat and juicy there will be no need of claret or champagne. To illustrate: The reed or rice birds, when they come from Canada, are in flesh like our swamp sparrows, but after a while in the rice fields they become fat as a lump of yellow butter or, as some one has said, when shot from a tree at this stage, they burst in filling, like ripe plums!

"Water flooded rice may also be planted in upper Carolina at nominal expense.

"I will be pleased to have any one interested visit my farm and will cheerfully give any desired information. Let us leave the boll weevil to seek other places and grow more rice, the food for man. If your readers need fat building, let them eat rice for bread, laugh and grow strong, men, women and children. In addition, let us grow ribbon sugar cane, that makes the finest syrup that can be procured. I have obtained from this variety some 300 gallons the acre. Then in the garden plant November 10 the Folk frost, ice and snow proof, prolific garden pea; the yield of some 300 bushels the acre. The present price is \$16 the bushel or 50 cents the quart.

"South Carolina soil is unsurpassed by that of any state. The boll weevil, in my opinion, is a blessing in disguise. Feller tillers of the soil, start now on diversification of crops, for though cotton be king, we can not eat it, but can grow fat and laugh at the boll weevil and eat rice and more rice!"

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